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IN THE HIGH COURT OF AUSTRALIA
SYDNEY REGISTRY

No. S147 of 2024

BETWEEN:

PALMANOVA PTY LTD

Appellant

and

COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA

Respondent

APPELLANT'S CHRONOLOGY

Part I: This chronology is in a form suitable for publication on the internet.

Part II:

Date	Event	Reference
600-1000AD	The Tiwanaku culture rises to prominence.	PJ [80] CAB 31
Not less than hundreds of years ago	The object subject of the proceedings (the Artefact) is manufactured, by the Tiwanaku, at the city of Tiwanaku within the modern-day boundaries of Bolivia.	PJ [182], CAB 59, PJ [196], CAB 62, PJ [211] CAB 66
3 October 1906	The Bolivian ' <i>Law of Property of the Nation, Ruins of Tiahuanaco and Lake Titicaca</i> ' enacts a prohibition on the export from Bolivia of cultural objects, including the Artefact.	PJ [9] CAB 11
Between 1906 and 1960	The Artefact is removed from the ruins of Tiwanaku.	PJ [341] CAB 102
1950s	The Artefact surfaces in Buenos Aires, Argentina.	PJ [53(g)] CAB 24

Date	Event	Reference
14 November 1970	<i>Convention on the Means of Prohibiting and Preventing the Illicit Import, Export and Transfer of Ownership of Cultural Property (Convention)</i> opened for signature.	PJ [363] CAB 108
24 April 1972	Convention enters into force.	PJ [363] CAB 108
1 July 1987	Commencement of the <i>Protection of Movable Cultural Heritage Act 1986 (Cth) (the Act)</i> .	
30 January 1990	Australia accedes to the Convention.	
5 June 2020	The Artefact is purchased by the appellant online from the Artemis Gallery in Colorado.	CAB 8 [1]
About 24 June 2020	The Artefact is shipped by Fedex to Melbourne and, upon entry into Australia, is intercepted and retained by officials acting under the <i>Customs Act 1901 (Cth)</i> .	PJ [1] CAB 8
17 May 2021	The Artefact is taken to have been seized under the Act	PJ [3] CAB 9
16 June 2021	The appellant commences proceedings in the Federal Court seeking an order for the return of the Artefact pursuant to s 37 of the Act.	PJ [3] CAB 9
29-30 March, 12 April and 20 December 2022	Hearing before the primary judge.	CAB 5
14 November 2023	Judgment handed down by the primary judge.	CAB 4
13 December 2023	Commonwealth's Notice of Appeal in the Full Court filed.	CAB 116
20 May 2024	Appeal hearing before the Full Court.	CAB 123
5 July 2024	Judgment handed down by the Full Court.	CAB 122
7 November 2024	The appellant granted special leave to appeal to the High Court of Australia.	CAB 153

Date	Event	Reference
20 November 2024	The appellant files Notice of Appeal in the High Court of Australia	CAB 154

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